

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2807 - SB 2727**

March 3, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires all hospitals to perform targeted surveillance for methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) in high-risk populations, as locally defined by the Department of Health and consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant/General Fund**

**/Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities**

**Assumptions:**

- The Department of Health will define high-risk populations for purposes of targeting MRSA. Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- The Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities will discipline facilities that do not comply with the provisions of the law. Any necessary disciplinary action for noncompliance will not result in a significant increase in expenditures.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities had deficits of \$440,300 in FY06-07 and \$217,700 in FY07-08. The Board's FY08-09 balance is not yet available.
- The Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities will not incur a significant increase in expenditures to discipline any of its licensed facilities for non-compliance.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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